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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/583587
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/CN2003/001092	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE December 19, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
TITLE OF INVENTION A METHOD FOR SEPARATING, EXTRACTING AND PURIFYING POLY-β-HYDROXYALKANOATES (PHAs) DIRECTLY FROM BACTERIAL FERMENTATION BROTH		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US CHEN, Xuejun		
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English Translation of Amendments to Specification, Claims and Abstract Made Under PCT Article 34
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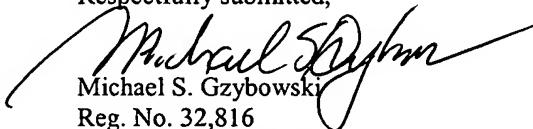
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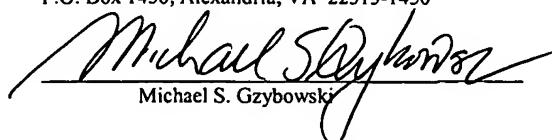
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Application No. Unknown	Filing Date June 19, 2006	Examiner Unknown	Customer No. 35684	Group Art Unit Unknown
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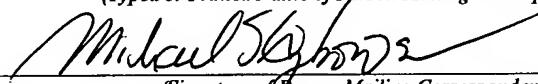
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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
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Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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